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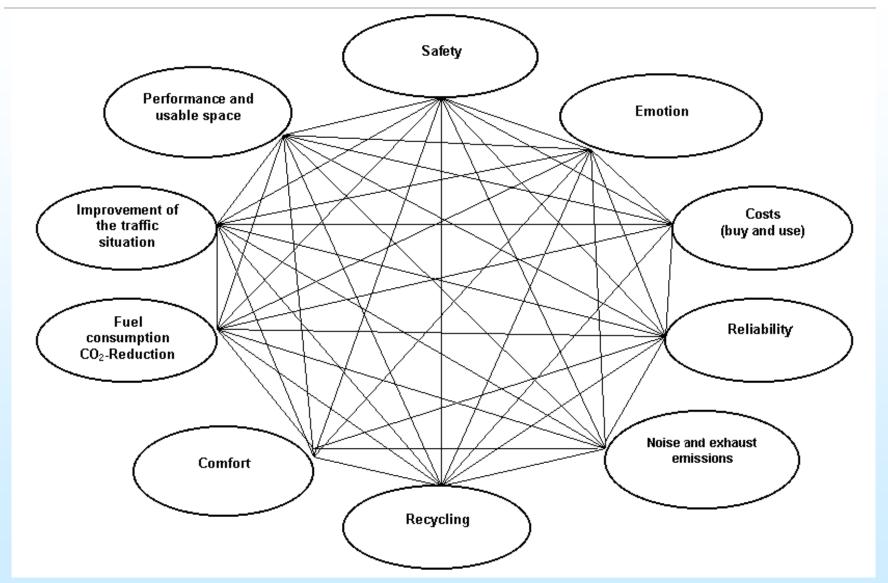
# "Future Research Directions for Enhancing Safety"

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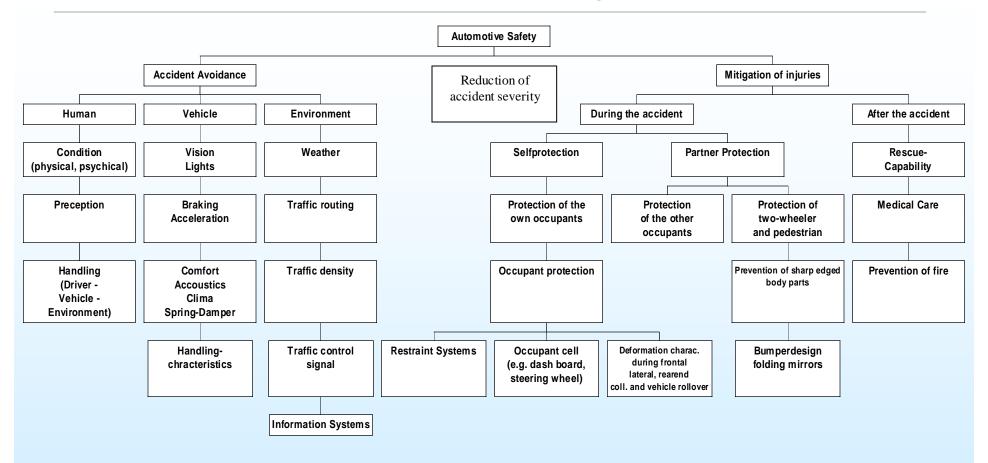
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# **Conflicting Demands by Vehicle Buyers**



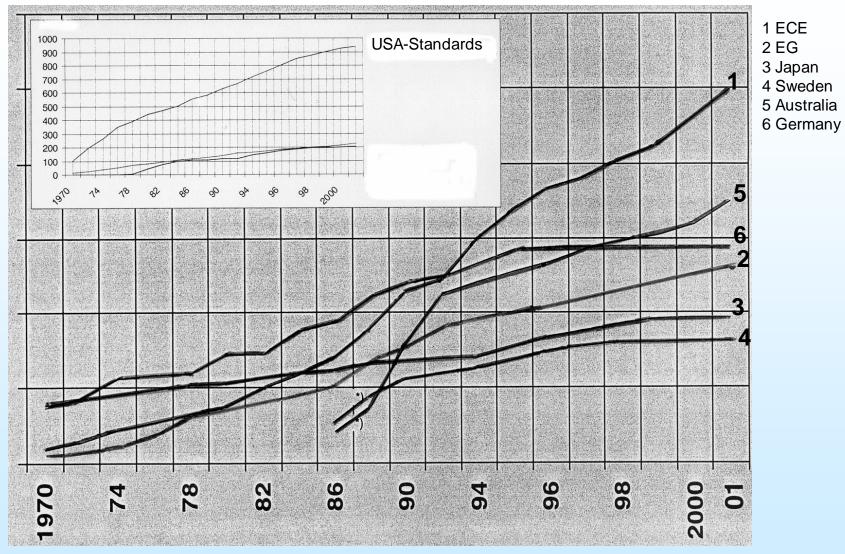


#### **Automotive Safety**



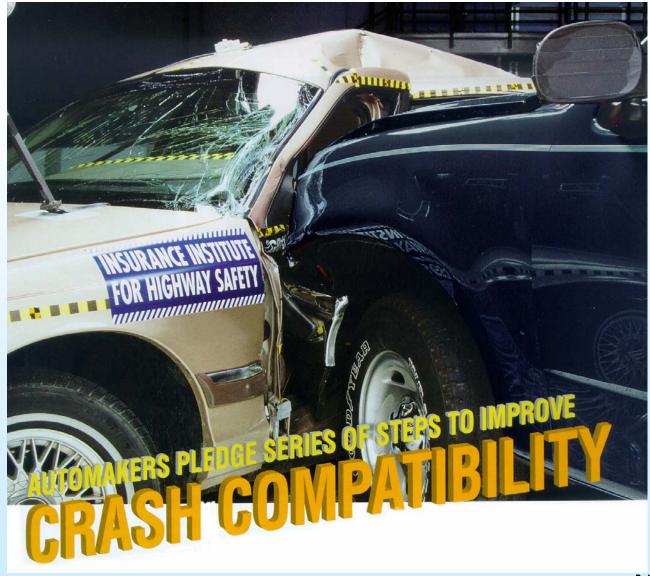


# **Number of Rules for Vehicles in Various Countries [1]**



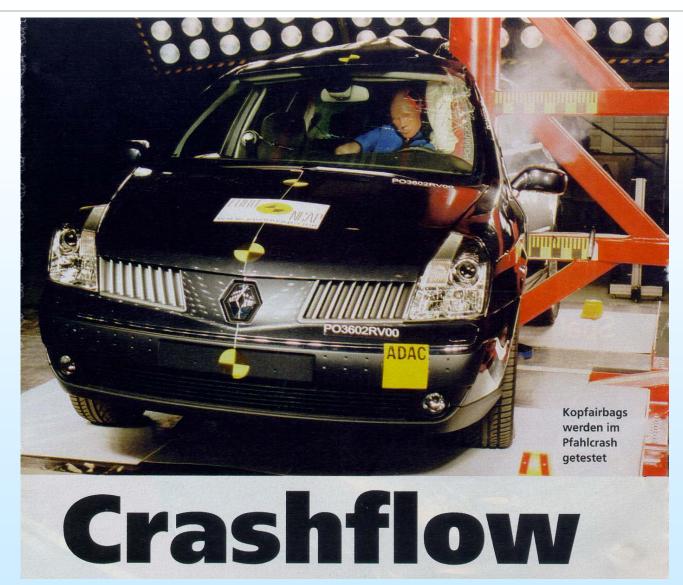


# Public Information by Insurance Institute for Highway Safety [9]



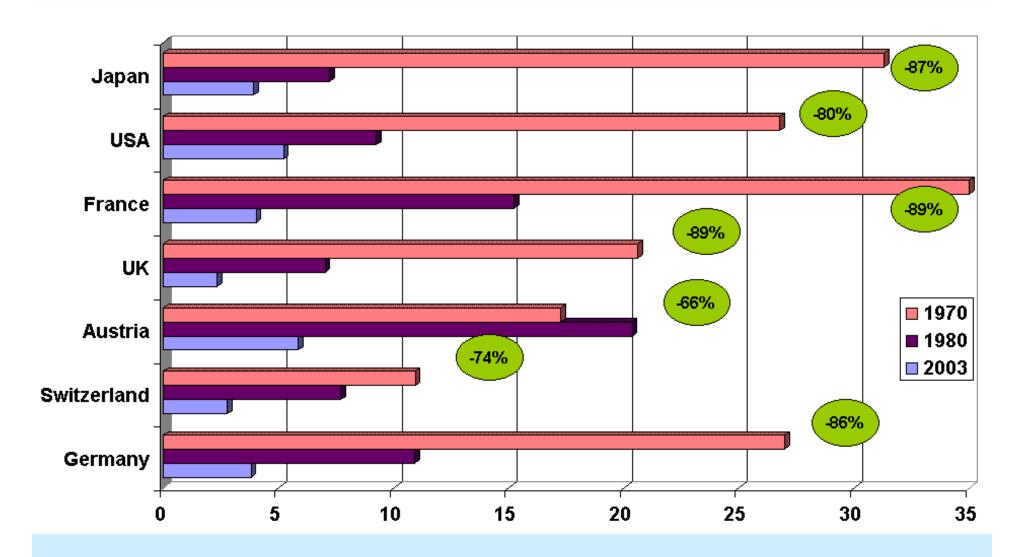


## **Crash Test Published by German Magazine [2]**



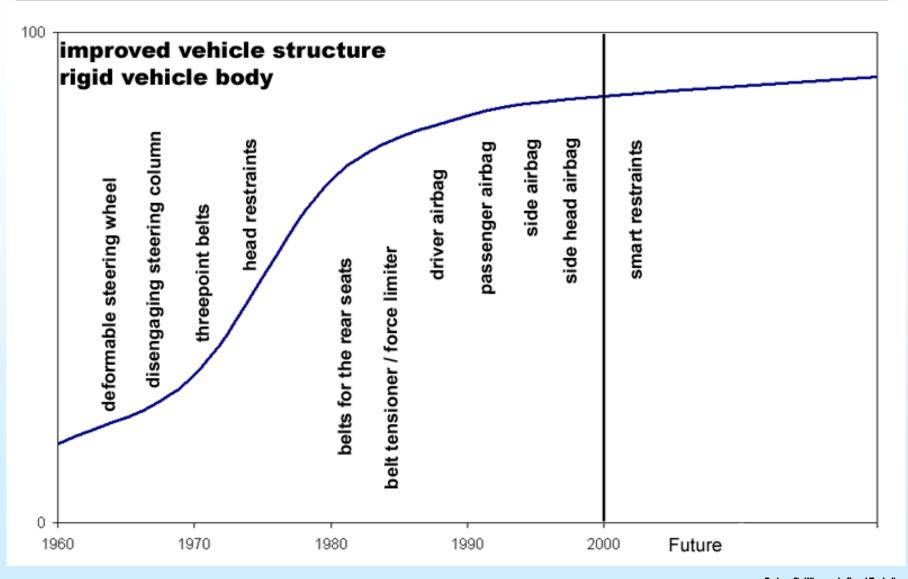


#### Fatalities per Billion Vehicle-km Driven on Highways, Source: IRTAD





#### **Progress in the Field of Mitigation of Injuries**





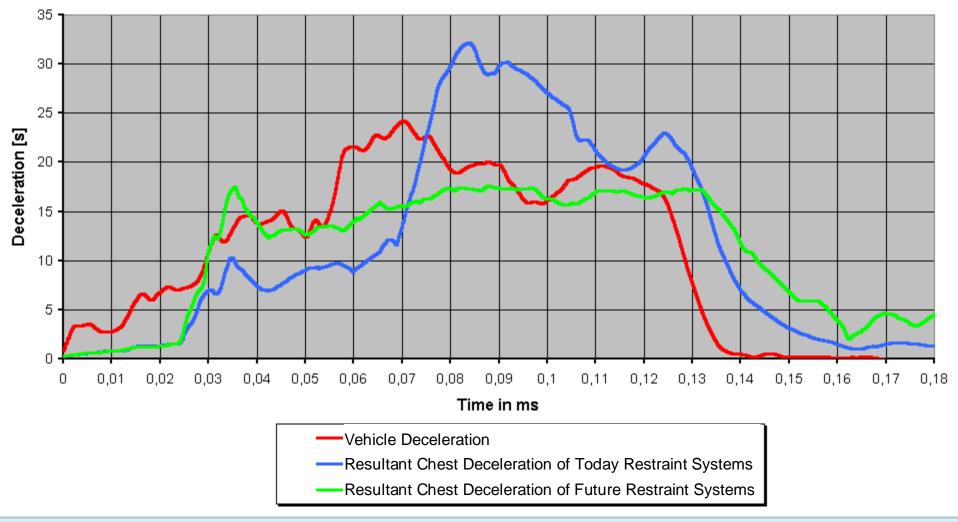
#### Further Improvements in the Field of Mitigation of Injuries

□ Rollover Protection

Emergency Call After a Severe Accident



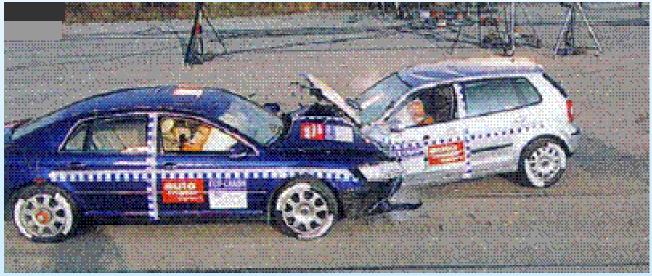
## Advanced Restraint Systems in a 64 km/h Euro NCAP Test [3]





# Off-Set Crash Between a Volkswagen Phaeton and Volkswagen Polo







#### **Items for Compatibility Research**

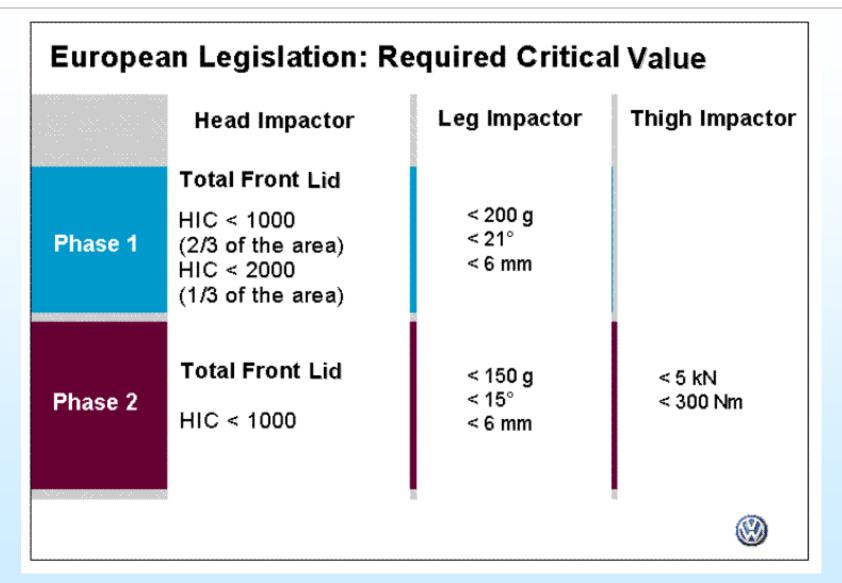
⇒ Geometrical Match Between Cars and SUV's and LTV's

Restraint-System Layout

Defined Energy Absorption Capability for Heavier Carsin a Car to Car Collision



#### Requirements for Pedestrian Protection in Europe [4]





#### **Future Rollover Protection Items**

⇒ Roll Over Prevention

Avoid that the Occupant Heads Leave the Vehicle Interior



#### **Increased Efficiency in Automotive Legislation**

Revise Standard FMVSS 201

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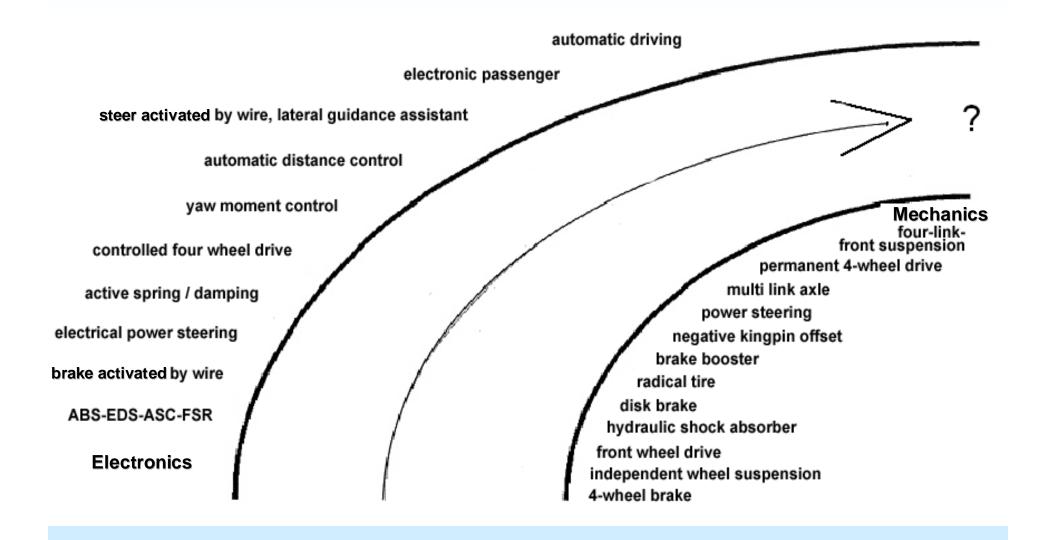
Revise Standard FMVSS 208

Increase the World Wide Harmonization Efforts in the Fields of Compatibility and Pedestrian Protection

Redefine the work of the Standard Harmonizing Groups, which did not have achieved positive results

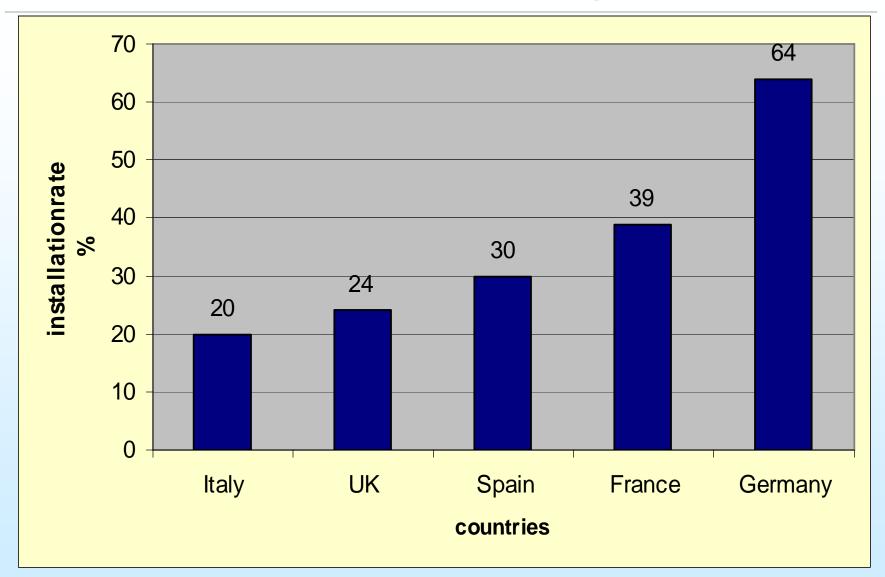


#### Measures in the Field of Accident Avoidance



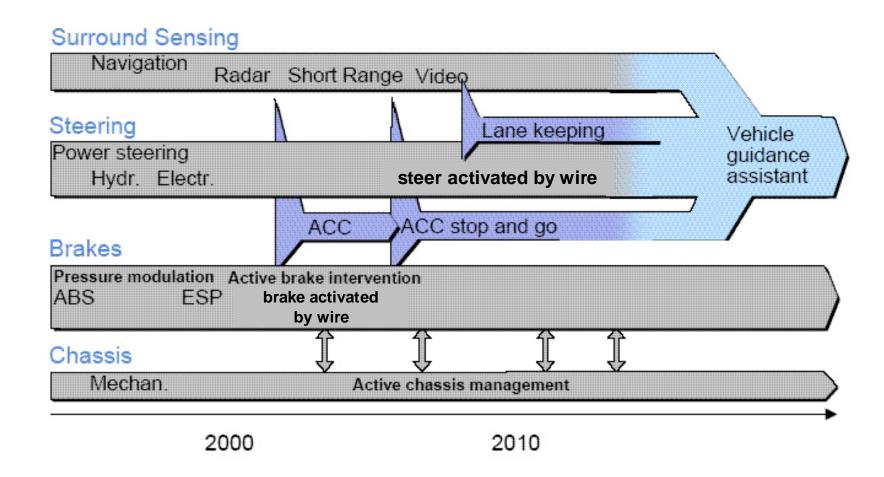


## **ESP-Installation Rate in Europe [5]**





#### **Vehicle Dynamics and Driver Assistance [6]\***



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#### **Driver Support Systems**

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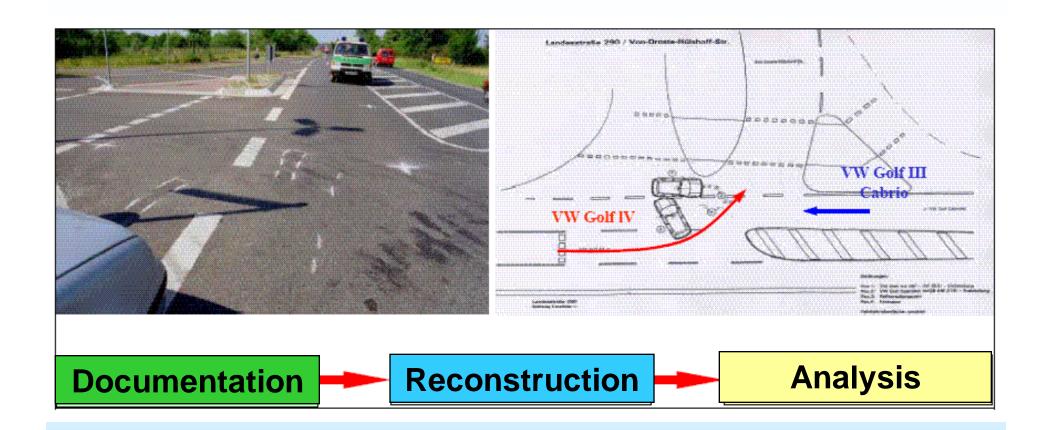
- ⇒ Dynamic Curve Light
- ⇒ Distance Warning
- ⇒ ACC with Automatic Braking
- ⇒ Adaptive Brake Light
- ⇒ ABS
- ⇒ Brake Assist System BAS
- ⇒ ESP + Advanced ESP
- ⇒ Lane Departure Warning Device

#### for the Future

- ⇒ Automatic Emergency Brake
- ⇒ Front Obstacle Identification, incl. Pedestrians
- ⇒ Avoidance of Blind Spots
- → Anti Drowsiness
- ⇒ Car to Car Communication



#### **Accident Investigation by Volkswagen [7]**





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